

FISHING QUESTION IS UP

Representatives and Master Fish Warden Hold a Conference.

FISHERMEN TO BE PROTECTED

Advocate an Open Season all the Year Around for the Lower Columbia, and Close Season from January to July on Upper River.

A conference was held yesterday afternoon between representatives J. V. Burns, J. M. Laws, Master Fish Warden Van Dusen and the secretary of the fishermen's union, H. M. Lorensten, to consider changes in the present fishing laws. The representatives and Mr. Lorensten did not agree with the recommendations of Master Fish Warden Van Dusen as to prohibiting fishing on the Columbia river bar, nor giving the up river cannerymen any advantage over the lower river packers. It was suggested that it would be advisable to have an open season on the lower Columbia all the year around, with the exception of two days in each week, commencing Saturday morning until Sunday evening at 6 o'clock, and that a close season be from January 1 to July 1 on the upper Columbia. That is, that there be no close season on the Columbia river below tide water. No definite action was taken in the matter, but a meeting of the representatives from Pacific, Wahkiakum and Cowlitz county and the fish commissioner of Washington will be called to meet with the Clatsop county delegation some time next week, at which time the matters will be discussed and an effort made to reach an agreement regulating the fishing industry that will be conducive to its benefit in both states. Mr. Burns stated that he was in favor of amending the laws so that the interests of the individual fishermen would be as carefully guarded as the interests of the packers. The men that take the fish are entitled to as much consideration as the men that pack them. An effort will be made to so adjust the fishing laws as to protect the industry and the expenditure of moneys derived from licenses be economically expended in the propagation of salmon. From the trend of the conversation, it is probable that no radical changes will be made, neither will all the recommendations of the Master Fish Warden be acquiesced in. About the only changes that will be made, will be in regard to the close season, and possibly the license of the canneries will be raised from 1½ cents a case to 3 cents a case.

SAFETY FOR ELKS.

Odd Fellows Hall Improvements Complete for Sunday Night.

In anticipation of the demands that are to be made upon Odd Fellows hall, extensive improvements are being completed under direction of The Odd Fellows association, and everything will be in readiness for the celebration of the Elks memorial services Sunday evening.

On past occasions it was found that the entrance, capacious as it is, was not sufficient to the needs of the attending crowds; and the old doors that blocked the entrance have been removed, and double swinging doors placed on the first landing. These are light and only designed to keep out the wind.

The house seats about 600 people, and the lesson of the Iriquois fire has

not been lost upon the association, which has provided two serviceable fire escapes and exits that preclude the possibility of even a sudden catastrophe in that line. It is expected the Elks will tax the hall to its capacity, and everything has been done to insure the handling and safety of the crowd.

PERSONAL MENTION.

F. N. Smith, representing Eller's piano house, is down from Portland. J. E. Brallier and wife of Seaside were in the city yesterday.

H. Dixon and wife are registered at the Occident.

J. E. Alacraz, recorder and police judge of Seaside, was in the city yesterday.

M. Dreyfus of Paris is in the city and stopping at the Occident.

R. B. Smith of Seaside was in Astoria yesterday on business.

Charles K. Stein of Chicago was among the arrivals in Astoria yesterday.

Frank Johnson of Spokane registered at the Occident yesterday.

G. G. Maygher of Maygher's landing was in Astoria yesterday.

George A. Lewis of New York registered at the Occident yesterday.

Hon. C. F. Lester of Warrenton was in the city yesterday.

M. J. Kliney returned from Portland yesterday.

Mrs. Cathcart of Portland is visiting her sister, Mrs. Van Buren.

Mrs. Harry Haslam of Cathlamet visited friends in Astoria yesterday.

Mrs. T. K. Johnson and daughter of Tenas Illhee were in Astoria yesterday.

E. Z. Ferguson returned from Portland last evening.

Miss Jennie Wheatley of Seaside was in the city last evening.

A. W. Utzinger and daughter Annie of Seaside attended the masquerade ball last evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Carney returned last evening from Portland.

Manager Gervurtz of the Star theater returned last night from a business trip to Portland.

H. J. Langoe, branch manager of the Allen & Gilbert-Ramaker Company piano house of this city, returned last night on the evening train from Portland.

H. S. McGowan of McGowan, Wash., is in the city for a few days.

M. H. Hendricks of Tacoma is at the Occident hotel.

George Foster, the well-known South Bend, Wash., capitalist, came in last night and will remain several days.

N. H. Weber, the Eagle Cliff canneryman, came down on last night's train from Portland and will remain some days.

HOTEL ARRIVALS.

Parker House.

F. H. Miller, Clifton.
C. A. Anderson, Roseburg, Ore.
Thomas Johanson, Roseburg, Ore.
J. P. Paul, Nahcotta, Wash.
J. A. Adams, Tacoma.
C. S. Bailey, City.
Thos. Winstrup, U. S. S. Perry.
Thos. Jones, City.
Geo. Dufur, Deep River.
R. B. Magruder, Seaside.

Short Line Starts Extension.

Boise Idaho, Nov. 30.—The Oregon Short Line to day began the construction of a five-mile extension of its Boise line. The road is to connect with the saw mill plant being put in by the Barber Lumber company five miles above this city.

Irish Meets Irish.

New Orleans, Nov. 30.—Matty Mathews of Philadelphia, won over William Ray, a welter weight from the Emerald Isle tonight in the 16th round of what was to have been a 20-round go.

STEAMER WITH PLAGUE

Elleric in Port With Her Master Stricken by Disease.

SMALL POX SMITES THE CREW

Dr. Earle Places the Vessel in Quarantine and Makes a Trip Across River Today to Satisfy the Department.

Steamer Elleric, 24 days from the Japanese port of Moji, arrived in this morning, and immediately went into quarantine, with a Chinese fireman, stricken with smallpox, and Captain McLeod ill in his cabin with well defined symptoms of the dread disease.

Dr. Earle boarded Elleric, and soon ascertained the conditions, and placed the crew in quarantine.

Had the vessel arrived with cargo instead of in ballast the loss to the owners would have been considerable, but detention will only mean the inconvenience occasioned the crew, and inability to take return cargo until Elleric receives a clean bill.

All of the story of the troubles of the steamer is not told in the illness of the fireman and the master of the vessel, for Elleric had a stormy voyage, and for several days was hove-to in mid-Pacific. The gale was from the south and blew with an intensity that delayed the China liners as well as the freighters. Elleric was not posted by the underwriters, though overdue.

All of the large crew of the steamer have been exposed to the disease contracted by Ah Min, the fireman, and while he is convalescent, and Captain McLeod's condition is dubious, others may develop the low fever of the disease and care on the part of the quarantine officers will be required to limit the contagion to the crew of the vessel. Dr. Earle made a trip to quarantine this afternoon and states that the condition of the master of the vessel, and that of the affected members of the crew, will require 24 to 36 hours to determine.

Marine News.

The French bark Asie arrived down from Portland yesterday loaded with grain for Europe.

The schooner Annie Larsen went up the river yesterday to load lumber at Portland for San Pedro.

The French bark Ville de Mulhouse, from Hamburg with a general cargo for Portland, arrived in yesterday.

The French bark Martha Roux from Ewanen arrived in last evening. She will load grain at Portland.

The steamer Geo. W. Elder arrived in yesterday morning with a fair passenger and freight list.

The pilot schooner Joseph Pulitzer came in Tuesday night for water and supplies. She will leave out today.

The steamer Aurella arrived from San Francisco yesterday with about 40 tons of freight for local merchants.

The steamer Canby started in on the Grays river run yesterday afternoon, making her first trip. She will leave Grays river morning and Astoria every evening.

Asks \$5,000 for Thumb.

Everett, Wash. Nov. 30.—Trial of the damage suit of C. J. Prior against E. Eggert, of Getchell, was begun in the superior court today. Prior wants \$5,000 damages for the loss of a portion of a thumb in the defendant's mill.

MASQUERADE BALL

Given by Concomley Tribe of Red Men Last Night at Logan's Hall.

It was a brilliant assemblage that graced Logan's hall last evening, the occasion being the masquerade ball given by Concomley Tribe of Red Men. Nearly 100 masqueraders and 200 spectators were present. The costumes were unique and original, and the judges had considerable difficulty to award the prizes, each charter being well sustained. L. Sprauer, A. D. Craig and C. M. Greenwald were selected as judges, neither being a member of the organization. At 11 o'clock the prizes were awarded as follows:

Best dressed lady, Mrs. Victor Lindbeck of Portland.

Second best dressed lady, Miss May Pohl.

Best dressed gent, Harry Jones.

Second best dressed gent, C. C. Dugan.

Best sustained gent, Ted Sutton.

Second best sustained gent, Mrs. A. Johnson.

Best sustained lady, Miss Eva Coffman of Seaside.

Second best sustained lady, Mrs. Emma C. Pearson.

Spectator's prize, E. J. Stack.

The awarding of the prizes gave general satisfaction. An orchestra of five pieces furnished music, refreshment were served, and a very enjoyable evening spent. The affair was one of the best ever given in Astoria and reflects great credit on the order and the committee in charge.

Burt Takes Reins.

Omaha, Neb., Nov. 30.—It is reported on what is considered competent authority that Horace C. Burt, who resigned a year ago as president of the Union Pacific railway, will return from a tour in the orient in about a month, and will proceed directly to New York to assume control of the Grand Trunk. The information purports to come from a letter written to a friend by Burt, and is a distinct surprise to railway men.

If you knew the facts about Schilling's Best, you wouldn't bother with anything else in those six lines at all.

Save the La Imperial band and get the diamond stud.

CALIFORNIA RESTAURANT.
Reopened Under New Management.
John Biasich has leased the California Restaurant and Oyster House and is now prepared to serve the public. The best oysters and meals in the city. Family trade supplied. Good cooks, polite waiters and prompt service.

Notice to Stockholders.
Notice is hereby given that the regular annual meeting of the stockholders of the Columbia River Packers Association will be held at the offices of the company at Astoria, Oregon, on December 12th, 1904, at 11 o'clock, A. M., for the purpose of electing Directors, and the transaction of such other business as may properly be considered.

Astoria, Or., Nov. 28, 1904.
GEO. H. GEORGE, Sec'y.

Hansen & McCanna, who occupy the shop formerly used by T. S. Simpson, adjoining the city water office, are prepared to do all kinds of sign and carriage painting. They will make a specialty of work of this class and guarantee satisfaction.

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J. V. BURNS,

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We are now showing a grand assortment of Dolls, Kid Bodies, Dressed Dolls, Walking, Talking and Sleeping Dolls—in fact, Dolls of all descriptions. Prices from 1c to \$6.00. Our Line of Mechanical Toys cannot be excelled in the city. We have an assortment that will interest and delight the children.

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